

EQUITABLE MUST GO INTO COURT

State's Attorney to Demand Restitution of Money.

MAY BE CRIMINAL ACTION

Effort Will Be Made to Debar Guilty Officials From Holding Positions in Similar Institutions.

NEW YORK, June 23.—Action will be begun at once against the Equitable Life Assurance Society and its officers by State's Attorney General Mayer, who will demand the restitution of the large sums of money taken illegally from the society, and will bar all the guilty men from holding office in any similar corporation.

District Attorney Jerome, who recently said that the "Equitable men were morally as guilty of crime as Larry Summerfield," will ask the grand jury to investigate the scandal if he can find sufficient evidence to justify criminal action.

Attorney General Mayer after his return from Washington, where it is said he held a consultation with President Roosevelt, made this statement:

"I believe that an official should not predict what he will do. Performance is preferable to promise. It is manifest, however, that the people throughout the whole country are profoundly interested in the affairs of the Equitable Society.

What Will Be Done.

"Therefore, I think it fitting to say that appropriate steps will be speedily taken by me as follows:

"1.—To accomplish the return to the Equitable of any profits wrongfully made or retained by reason of trust relations or otherwise.

"2.—To debar from holding office in this company any person who has been faithless to his trust or who has violated any provision of law.

"3.—To obtain an accounting for any waste or misapplication of funds for any reason or by anybody.

"There are certain other matters of importance which I am studying, but to which it would be premature to refer in detail. It might, for instance, be to the interest of the policyholders to learn the character of and occasion for some of the legal services paid for during the past few years.

Policyholders' Rights.

"But above all inquiries as to alleged delinquencies the greatest necessity of the situation is that the rights of the policyholders in all respects should be ascertained clearly and completely and as quickly as is legally possible.

"In this and other particulars I shall try my best to attain results."

"Will criminal as well as civil proceedings be instituted?" the attorney general was asked.

"If any crime has been committed by anybody criminal proceedings are initially for the district attorney," Mr. Mayer said.

Mr. Jerome, it can be said, is convinced there is no doubt that certain of the Equitable officials are morally responsible for the present conditions, but whether there is any evidence obtainable to warrant criminal proceedings, Mr. Jerome does not know, but intends to find out.

There is no doubt, according to the attitude of Mr. Jerome, that no director or official, however high may be his station, will escape prosecution if a complaint can be obtained or if the report of Superintendent Hendricks is sufficient to warrant the starting of a John Doe inquiry into the affairs of the Equitable.

HEAVY FINE IMPOSED UPON ALFRED GRACY

Two hundred dollars fine or ten months in jail in default was the penalty Alfred Gracy, an old soldier, had imposed upon him when convicted by Judge Kimball in the Police Court today on a charge of carrying a revolver.

Gracy's conviction was the aftermath of a case of assault against Major Jackson in Judge Scott's branch of the Police Court yesterday. At that time Gracy, who is about sixty years old and an inmate of the Soldiers' Home, testified that Jackson and several of his women relatives had stoned him away from a field near Brookland, D. C., where he was gathering flowers on last Tuesday.

NOLAN HIT BY STONE THROWN AT ANOTHER

Detectives Bair and Hartigan, of the Central Office, today arrested Neal Williams, colored, twenty-three years old, on a charge of assaulting Michael Nolan with a stone.

It is said Williams, who is well known to the police, caused a riot in the city on Monday night, and the two began pelting the salute to the flag with stones. Nolan, who lives in Pleasant Alley, where the fight occurred, was asleep under a large stone which he had thrown at the head of the assailant. He was sent to the Emergency Hospital in a serious condition. The police are looking for "Dollar Bill."

CHAFFEE ISSUES RULES FOR FIRING SALUTES

General Chaffee, chief of staff, has issued a revision of the general orders for army salutes.

The regulations emphasize that it is the custom of foreign ships of war on entering a harbor or passing near a fortification to display at the main the flag of the country in whose waters they are and to salute it. The rule, however, is to fire salutes only between the hours of 8 a. m. and sunset. Upon the completion of the salute to the flag a salute of the same number of guns must be promptly returned by the designated saluting battery ashore.

"AUNT JULY" OUTLIVES PHYSICIANS MANY YEARS

MEMPHIS, Tenn., June 23.—Aunt July, who was given up by two physicians fifty years ago as suffering from an incurable disease, is dead in Tipton county at the age of 107. On her deathbed she passed for a new piece of life.

The two doctors, who fifty years ago predicted that she would not live a year, have long since died.

SLOCUM TO BE REBUILT

NEW YORK, June 23.—The hull of the steamer General Slocum, on which hundreds of people lost their lives when the steamer burned in the East river last summer, has been towed out past Sandy Hook. It will be rebuilt as a coal barge.

Mad "Med Fac" Pranker May Get Reinstatement

President Urges Harvard to Take Back Benjamin Joy, Who Played Burglar at Phillips Brooks House.

BOSTON, June 23.—It is understood that President Roosevelt will quietly use his influence to procure the reinstatement of Benjamin Joy, the Harvard student, member of the famous secret society, the "Med Fac," who was dismissed because of a society prank in breaking into the Phillips Brooks house.

It is said this action will probably be taken by the faculty next term.

"Med Fac," however, is doomed. Already this society, the most secret of all college societies, has practically been disbanded after a career of nearly a century and a quarter. In that time it has played some of the wildest and most reckless pranks in college history.

Here are some things attributed to "Med Fac":

Presenting mythical degree to Czar of Russia.

Explosion of infernal machine in Sanders Theater during lecture by Prof. Channing.

Explosion of bomb during address of the Rev. Edward Everett Hale, in Sanders Theater.

Painting the statue of John Harvard. Stealing Louis Burg cross from college library.

Blowing up the historic college pump. Painting of Gore Hall.

Hanging skeletons about college yard. Painting Gray's Hall.

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These acts of vandalism were committed, it is supposed, as part of the initiation of new members.

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GENERAL WEYLER IN OFFICE AGAIN

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MADRID, June 23.—The new ministry is composed as follows:

Premier—Senor Montero Rios. Foreign affairs—Senor Sanchez Roman.

War—General Weyler. Justice—Senor Gonzalez Pena. Marine—Senor Villanueva.

Interior—Senor Garcia Prieto. Finance—Senor Urzaiz.

Instruction—Senor Mellado. Public works—Senor Romanones.

Senor Canalejas, chief of the liberal party, refused to take a portfolio in a coalition ministry, which is completely conservative. It will advise the King to dissolve the cortes immediately.

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Base Ball Bats—Any \$1 bat, including Louisville Sluggers, Mushrooms, and all the finer bats. Special—69c.

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Uniforms—Regular value: Pants, \$2.00; Shirt, \$2.00; Cap, 50c; Stockings, 50c; Belt, 25c. Value—\$3.50.

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Bicycles \$18 fully guaranteed Newport Bicycle, with guaranteed New Oxford tires—\$18.00.

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